COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 2882-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 812

Subject: Property, Real and Personal; State Tax Commission; Taxation and Revenue -

General ; Taxation and Revenue - Property

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 2, 2004

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	
Total Estimated				
Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Local Government	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Revenue**, the **Office of Administration**, **Division of Budget and Planning**, and the **Office of the Cole County Collector** assume this proposal would have no impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **State Tax Commission** assume this proposal would have no impact on their organization; however, they assume the Jackson County Collector's Office will have to develop necessary procedures to process installment payments on real estate taxes.

In response to a similar proposal in the previous session, officials from the **Kansas City Manager's Office** assumed the proposal would not reduce tax revenues, but receipt of some tax revenue would be delayed. Officials assume this would hinder the City's budgeting process.

In response to a similar proposal in the previous session, officials from the **School District of Kansas City** stated that any slowdown in revenue collections during this current time when everyone is experiencing budget shortfalls would cause serious negative impact on the District's cash flow.

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

Oversight assumes this proposal would have an unknown negative fiscal impact to the Jackson County Collector's Office, and also to the taxing authorities in Jackson County which would have taxes paid in installments. Oversight assumes this proposal would be implemented in December 2004 for 2004 taxes, and that the impact to the Blind Pension Fund would be minimal.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
	\$0	\$0	\$0
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
Cost - Jackson County Collector Administration	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
Cost - Taxing Authorities in Jackson County Interest income due to delayed tax distributions	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

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DESCRIPTION

This proposal would enable taxpayers with hardships to pay property taxes in installments:

- A. The county collector in any county with a charter form of government and with more than six hundred thousand but less than seven hundred thousand inhabitants would be required to allow for the payment of all or any part of current and delinquent real property taxes, in equal monthly or quarterly installments over a period of time not greater than one year.
- B. Installment payments would be available for real property used as the owner's principal residence, or by all joint owners as their principal residence; and where the taxpayer is, at the time of application for installment payments, experiencing a hardship.
- C. For the purposes of this section, the term "hardship" includes owners who have been unemployed during the three-month period prior to the due date of the real property taxes; and taxpayer with Missouri adjusted gross income of less than fifteen thousand dollars for an individual or combined Missouri adjusted gross income less than twenty thousand dollars for joint owners.
- D. Delinquent taxes would bear interest at the rate provided by section 140.100, RSMo, and would be subject to the fees provided by law.
- E. A monthly or quarterly installment payment would not be deemed delinquent unless it is beyond thirty days past due.
- F. The county official charged with the duties of the collector would issue receipts for any installment payments.
- G. Installment payments made at any time during a tax year would not affect the taxpayer's right to protest the amount of such tax payments under applicable provisions of law.
- H. Installment payments would not apply to payment for real property taxes paid by financial institutions from escrow accounts.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Revenue
Office of Administration
Division of Budget and Planning
State Tax Commission
Office of the Cole County Assessor

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